

Abstract

A system and method for conducting a financial transaction are described. In one embodiment, communication is established between a vehicle-accessed, payment-gateway terminal (VAPGT) and a pre-registered, key-enabled, personal transaction device (PTD). The PTD is accessed using a privacy card and a transaction request is transmitted to a server. Further, a transaction authorization message is received from the server to complete the transaction.

In an alternate embodiment, a pre-registered, key-enabled, personal transaction device (PTD) is loaded with a pre-funded cash account. Further, communication is established between a vehicle-accessed, payment-gateway terminal (VAPGT) and the PTD and the PTD is accessed using a privacy card. Finally, a transaction amount is deducted from the pre-funded cash account to complete the transaction.